State of South Caroling Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, it is estimated that over 4 million people across the country suffer from Alzheimer's disease, and medical scientists predict that, without a cure, one out of every ten living

Americans will fall victim to this disease; and

WHEREAS, initiated in 1995, the Rotary Coins for Alzheimer's Research

Trust Fund (CART) utilizes donated change as an effective means to raise funds for research into the prevention, early

detection, and cure of Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, the CART fund has raised nearly

\$2,000,000 dollars and awarded \$1,600,000 in grants for

Alzheimer's research; and

WHEREAS, building on the success of the initial event, Georgetown

Rotary Club's Second Annual Shag Festival recognizes Roger Ackerman, founder of CART, for his vision and commitment to Alzheimer's research and honors the individuals and families who are affected by or have fallen

victim to this disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2007 as

ROTARY CART FUND DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the valuable contributions of the Rotary Club Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust Fund to research into the prevention, early detection, and eventual cure of this devastating disease.

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